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| Filed:   | September 18, 2001  | :                              | <b>,</b>                            |  |  |  |  |
| For:   | Methods and Systems for Evaluating<br>Process Production Performance                            | :                              |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|  |   | :                              |                                     |  |  |  |  |
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| TRANSMITTAL  |   |                                |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| •  | Transmitted herewith is:<br>Transmittal (3 pages)<br>Request for Continued Examination (2 pages | s)                             |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|  | STATUS  |                                |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| 2. [   | Applicant  ☐ claims small entity status.  ☑ is other than a small entity.                       |                                |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| EXTENSION OF TERM  |   |                                |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| 3. T   | he proceedings herein are for a patent applic   | cation and the provisi         | ions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136             |  |  |  |  |
| aj   | apply.  (complete (a) or (b), as applicable)  |                                |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| (a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(s)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:) |   |                                |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|  | Extension for response within:  | Other than small<br>entity Fee | Small entity Fee<br>(if applicable) |  |  |  |  |
|  | first month   | \$ 130.00                      | \$ 65.00                            |  |  |  |  |
|  | second month  | \$ 490.00                      | \$ 245.00                           |  |  |  |  |
|  | third month   | \$ 1,110.00                    | \$ 555.00                           |  |  |  |  |

|  | fourth r        |             |                                       | \$1,730.00       |   | \$ 865.00  |                            |  |
|--|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|---|------------|----------------------------|--|
|  |                 | fifth month |                                       |                  | \$2,350.00                                  | \$1,175.00 |                            |  |
|  |                 |             |                                       |                  | Fee:  |            | \$490.00                   |  |
| If an  | additional ext  | ension of   | f time is requ                        | ired, please     | consider this a pet                         | ition      | therefor.                  |  |
|  |                 | (C)         | heck and comple                       | ete the next it  | em, if applicable)                          |            |                            |  |
|  |                 | therefor    |                                       | ducted from      | has already been se<br>in the total fee due |            |                            |  |
|  |                 | Exten       | nsion fee due                         | with this re     | equest \$                                   |            |                            |  |
|  |                 |             |                                       |                  | OR  |            |                            |  |
| (b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. |                 |             |                                       |                  |   |            |                            |  |
|  |                 |             | FEE F                                 | OR CLAII         | MS  |            |                            |  |
| 4. 7   | The fee for cla | ims (37 C   | C.F.R. 1.16(b                         | )-(d)) has t     | een calculated as s                         | hown       |                            |  |
|  | (Col. 1)        |             | (Col. 2)                              | (CoL 3)          | SMALL ENTITY                                |            | OTHER THAN<br>SMALL ENTITY |  |
| CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT  |                 | Example 1   | HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA | ADDITIONAL.<br>RATE FEE                     | OR         | ADDITIONAL<br>RATE FEE     |  |
| TOTAL  |                 | MINUS       |                                       |                  | x \$26.00 = \$                              |            | x \$52.00 - \$             |  |
| INDEP.   |                 | MINUS       |                                       | -                | x \$110.00 - \$                             |            | x \$220.00 = \$            |  |
| _  | FIRST PRESEN    | TATION OF   | MULTIPLE DEP. (                       | CLAIM            | +\$195,00 = \$                              |            | + \$390.00 = \$            |  |
| -  | -               | -           |                                       |                  | TOTAL ADDITIONAL<br>FEE \$                  | OR         | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$    |  |
| (a) No additional fee for Claims is required   |                 |             |                                       |                  |   |            |                            |  |
|  |                 |             |                                       | OR               |   |            |                            |  |
|  | (b) 🗌           | Total ad    | lditional fee                         | for claims i     | required \$                                 |            |                            |  |
|  |                 |             | FEE I                                 | PAYMEN:          | г   |            |                            |  |
| 5.   | Attach          | ed is a cl  | heck in the su                        | ım of \$         |   |            |                            |  |
|  | Chare           | e Denosit   | Account No                            | 01-2384          | the sum of \$490.00                         |            |                            |  |

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## FEE DEFICIENCY

|        | 01-2384.  |  |  |  |  |
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| AND/OR |   |  |  |  |  |
|        | If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384. |  |  |  |  |

If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No.

7. Other:

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